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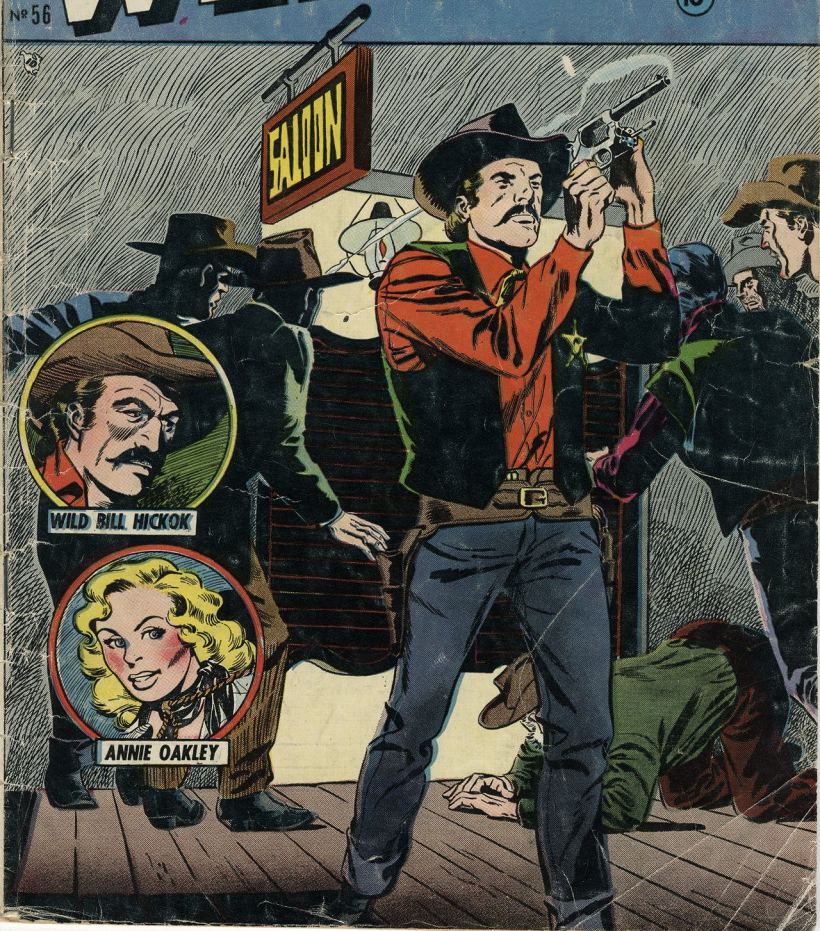
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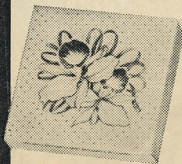
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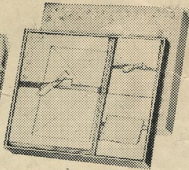
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THEY CALLED HIM **WILD BILL HICKOK**... AND FOLKS WHO'D NEVER SEEN HIM, PICTURED HIM TO BE A RED-EYED, FIRE-BREATHING RANNIHAN DRAGGING NO LESS THAN TEN HOLSTERS FROM HIS BELT! BUT THAT WASN'T THE WAY OF IT AT ALL! HICKOK COULD SHOOT WITH THE BEST OF THEM... BUT HE SQUEEZED TRIGGER ONLY TO UPHOLD THE LAW! AND IT PAINED HIS HEART EVERY TIME HE COULDN'T BRING A MAN IN ALIVE....!

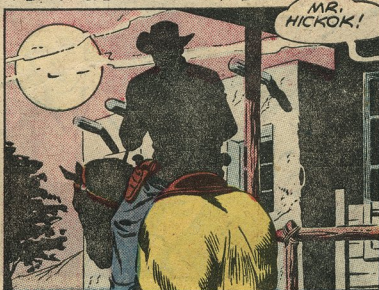
## Don't Be My Sidekick!

SHOW'S OVER FOR TONIGHT, FOLKS... YOU CAN ALL GO HOME NOW.

**SALOON**



NOBODY SAID A WORD AS HE WALKED SLOWLY TO WHERE HIS MOUNT WAS TETHERED. IT WASN'T FEAR THAT SEALED THEIR LIPS... BUT RESPECT FOR THE BIG MAN'S BONE-WEARINESS. NOBODY SAID A WORD TILL HE'D ALMOST CLEARED TOWN. THEN--



YES, SON?

I-I SAW HOW YOU HANDLED THAT GUN-MAN TONIGHT, MR. HICKOK. I'M NOT AS GOOD A MAN AS YOU, OF COURSE... BUT I'M A FAIR HAND WITH THE COLT. AND I AIM TO BE YOUR SIDEKICK... TO RIDE WITH YOU AND HELP YOU FIGHT FOR THE LAW!



FOR A LONG MOMENT HICKOK WAS SILENT. BUT HE WAS THINKING HOW HIS LOAD MIGHT BE LIGHTENED IF HE HAD SOMEONE AT HIS SIDE--A YOUNG UN LIKE THIS WHOM HE COULD PASS ON HIS SKILLS TO....



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JUST THEN...

**TOM JENKINS...** YOU PROMISED ME YOU WOULDN'T! PLEASE, MR. HICKOK, DON'T LISTEN TO HIM! HE WORSHIPS YOU... AND THAT'S FINE! BUT HE'S A MARRIED MAN WITH A CHILD AT HOME!

**AFTER HEARING THE YOUNG WOMAN OUT, HICKOK SPOKE STERNLY TO HER HUSBAND--**

I HAD MY CHOICE WHEN I WAS A YOUNG MAN, TOM. IT WAS EITHER TO MARRY LIKE YOU'VE DONE... OR TO RIDE FOR THE LAW. I CHOSE THE LAW. CAN'T SAY I'M SORRY... BUT I CAN SAY THAT ANY MAN WHO THINKS HE CAN DO BOTH OUT HERE IN THE WILD WEST, IS A FOOL!

YOU THINK I COULD DRAW AS FAST OR SHOOT AS STRAIGHT AS I DO, IF HALF MY MIND WAS BACK WITH A WIFE AND CHILDREN AT HOME?... AND COULD I EVEN STICK WITH THIS JOB THAT HAS TO BE DONE, KNOWING ALL THE WORRIMENT IT CAUSED THEM?... NO, TOM... **DON'T BE MY SIDEKICK!** YOU'VE MADE YOUR CHOICE ALREADY-- STICK BY IT! **GOODBY..!**

ALL THAT TALK WAS JUST COVER-UP! HE THINKS I'M NOT GOOD ENOUGH... HE THINKS I'D GET IN HIS WAY!

TOM, PLEASE, LISTEN TO ME! PROMISE ME YOU WON'T DO ANYTHING FOOLISH!

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**A WEEK LATER, ON A NEARBY STAGE TRAIL --**

GRAB AIR, YOU TWO-- THIS IS A HOLD-UP!

N-NO NEED TO BE WAVIN' THOSE SHOOTIN' IRONS AT US -- W-WE DON'T AIM TO STAND IN YOUR WAY!

**BUT SUDDENLY--**

TAKE COVER, MEN-- THE SHOOTIN'S COMIN' FROM DOWN THE TRAIL!

KRACK!  
KRACK!



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YIPPEE! IT'S  
WILD BILL  
HICKOK!

HE'S WINGED TWO OF 'EM! BUT  
HOW COME HE'S LETTIN' THE  
THIRD ONE GET AWAY....?

THE THIRD ROAD AGENT HAD ALMOST  
 ROUNDED THE STEEPLY CLIMBING TRAIL  
 WHEN ---

HEY!

THAT'S YOUNG TOM JENKINS!...BET  
HE'S BEEN FOLLOWING ME ALL THIS  
TIME...JUST WAITING FOR A  
CHANCE TO PROVE HIMSELF!

TH- THEY'RE ROLLIN' RIGHT BACK  
DOWN... AN' THE TEAM'S PLUMB  
LOCO SINCE ALL THAT SHOOTIN'!  
THEY'LL BE TROMPLED FOR  
SURE!

BUT THEN HICKOK LEAPED UP AND TUGGED ON THE TRACERS WITH ALL HIS MIGHT, CAUSING THE LEAD HORSES TO REAR SO THE TWO MEN ROLLED BY, UNTOUCHED BY THE FLAILING HOOFS!

**LATER..**

HOW'D I  
DO, MR. HICKOK?  
HE'D HAVE  
GOTTEN CLEAN  
AWAY IF NOT FOR  
ME --- RIGHT?  
YOU STILL THINK  
I'M NOT GOOD  
ENOUGH TO BE  
YOUR SIDEKICK..?

I THINK  
YOU'RE  
MORE OF A  
FOOL THAN  
EVER, TOM  
JENKINS! I  
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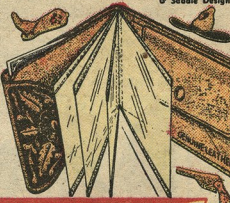
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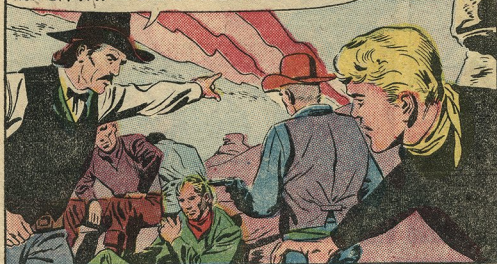
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THOSE ARE **JUST THREE** OF THE ORNERIEST BADHAT GANG IN THE TERRITORY! I'VE BEEN AFTER THEM A LONG TIME, BUT I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO LOCATE THEIR HIDEOUT YET!... I WAS SHOOTING HIGH ON PURPOSE, FIGURING THE LAST ONE WOULD HEAD FOR THEIR HIDEOUT...AND I'D BE ABLE TO FOLLOW HIM THERE! BUT THANKS TO **YOU**, ALL MY WORK'S UNDONE! NOW **GIT**... BEFORE I LOSE MY TEMPER!



**YOUNG TOM'S** FACE PALED. YOU COULD SEE THE PRIDE DRAINING OUT OF HIM...THE HOPE DYING IN HIS EYES. WITHOUT A WORD, HE TURNED AWAY--

HAD TO TALK TO HIM THAT HARSH... IT WAS THE ONLY WAY TO GET HIM BACK TO HIS FAMILY WHERE HE BELONGS!

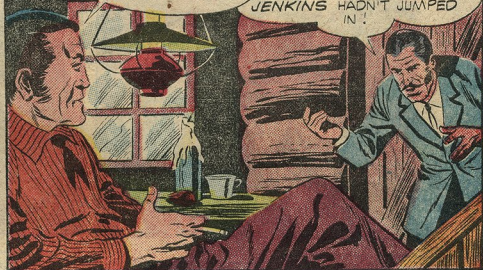


IT WAS A LONG RIDE HOME, AND BY THE TIME HE GOT THERE, TOM JENKINS HAD DONE A LOT OF CLEAR THINKING--

MEANWHILE AT THE BADHAT HIDEOUT--

WHAT HAPPENED DOWN AT THE STAGE? WE HAD **YOU** PLANTED AS A PASSENGER!... HOW COME YOU DIDN'T TAKE A HAND?

AGAINST WILD BILL HICKOK...? ARE YOU LOCO?! BUT LISTEN TO THIS, BOSS--ONE OF OUR MEN WOULD'VE GOT AWAY IF **YOUNG TOM JENKINS** HADN'T JUMPED IN!



GUESS I AM, MARTHA. GUESS I'M ABOUT OVER MY FOOLISHNESS TOO. YOU NEEDN'T FRET ANY MORE. I'LL BE STAYING PUT FROM NOW ON.

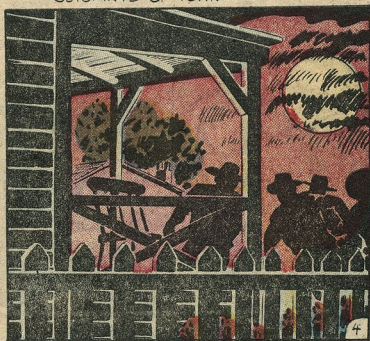


WHAT?! ONE OF **OUR** GUNHANDS PULLED IN BY A TOWNSMAN?...ONCE WORD OF THIS GETS AROUND, FOLKS'LL START LAUGHIN' AT US.... THEY'LL START FIGHTIN' BACK WHENEVER WE'RE OUT ON A JOB!

WE'LL HAVE TO PUT **FEAR** RIGHT BACK INTO THEIR HEARTS... BY GETTIN' **TOM JENKINS** TONIGHT!

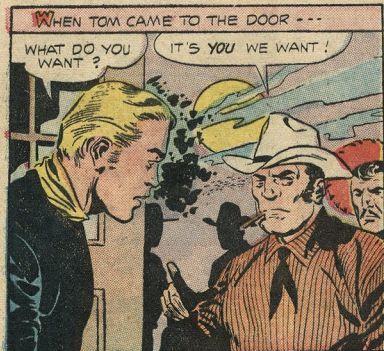


THAT NIGHT, AT THE JENKINS' PLACE ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF TOWN--





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SO THAT'S WHAT THEY DID-- AND THOSE WHO SAW, TURNED PALE AND TREMBLED

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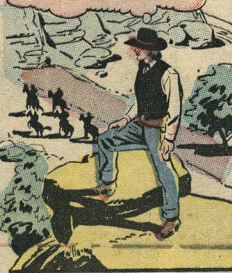


IF I'D ONLY LISTENED TO MR. HICKOK...I'D NEVER HAVE BEEN IN THIS FIX! POOR MARTHA...BACK THERE ALONE WITH THE TYKE...SO YOUNG, AND SOON SHE'LL BE A WIDOW!



AT THAT MOMENT, ON NEARBY HIGH GROUND--

NO WONDER THE HIDEOUT WAS EMPTY WHEN I FOUND IT AT LAST--THEY'VE BEEN OUT ON A RAID!...HMMMM-- THAT LOOKS LIKE YOUNG JENKINS WITH THEM!



HICKOK'S HAND GRAZED HIS HOLSTER, BUT THEN HE FROWNE--

CAN'T START A GUN-FIGHT! FIRST THING THEY'D DO IS SHOOT JENKINS DOWN...AND THEN RETURN MY FIRE! BUT I HAVE TO DO SOMETHING... AND MIGHTY FAST!

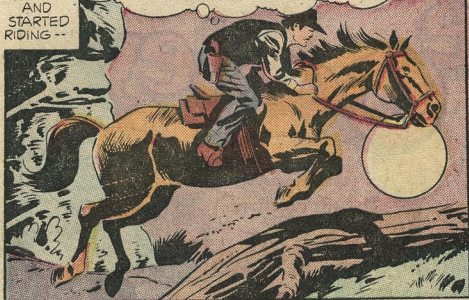




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HICKOK  
WHEELED  
HIS  
MOUNT  
AND  
STARTED  
RIDING--

THEY'RE HEADED BACK FOR THE HIDEOUT!  
THERE'S A NARROW PASS JUST BEFORE THEY  
GET THERE! I HAVE TO BEAT THEM TO  
THAT PASS....!



WATER..

YOU BEEN THINKIN'  
ON WHAT TO DO WITH  
JENKINS, BOSS?

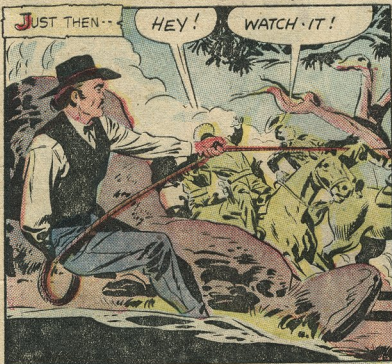
YEAH  
.....I  
BEEN  
THINKING  
PLENTY!



JUST THEN--

HEY!

WATCH-IT!



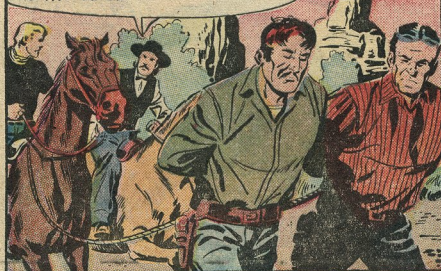
KEEP THIS LEVELLED ON  
THEM, TOM... THEY'LL BE  
NEEDING SOME CONVINCING  
TO BE PEACEABLE SOON  
AS THEY GET THEIR WIND  
BACK!

IT'LL BE A  
PLEASURE,  
MR. HICKOK..  
..A REAL  
PLEASURE!



ON THE WAY TO TOWN NOW ----

ONLY WAY TO TACKLE THEM WITHOUT A GUN-FIGHT WAS  
TO BEAT THEM TO THE PASS AND STRETCH MY ROPE  
TAUT OVER IT, SO THEIR HORSES WOULD PILE UP!...  
HERE'S HOPING THE LOCK-UP'S EMPTY TONIGHT! IF  
NOT...IT'LL BE REAL CROWDED!



WHEN  
TOM  
GOT  
HOME  
AGAIN--

THIS  
TIME I'LL  
REALLY  
STAY  
PUT.  
MARTHA!

HOW  
CAN WE  
EVER  
THANK  
YOU, MR.  
HICKOK?

JUST BY  
STAYING AS  
SWEET AND  
LAW-ABIDING  
AS YOU  
ARE, MAAM.  
NO OTHER  
WAY.



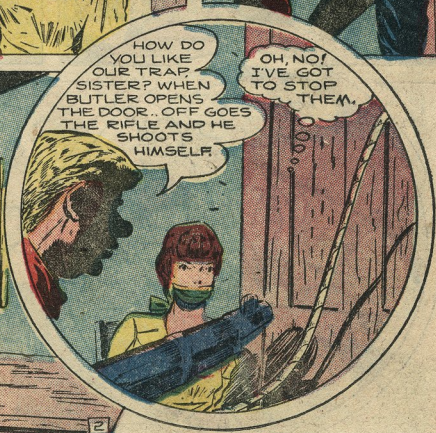
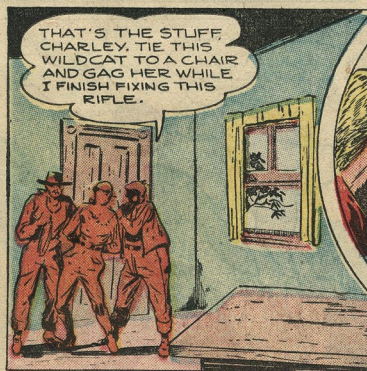
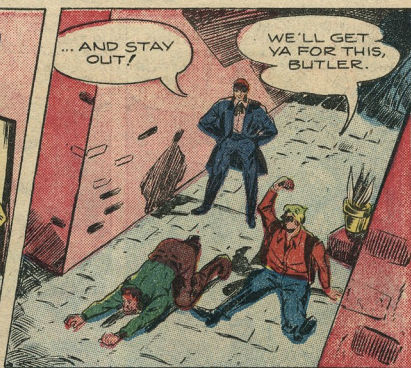
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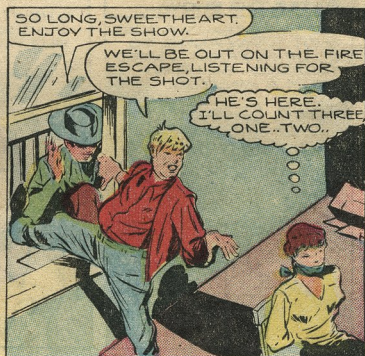


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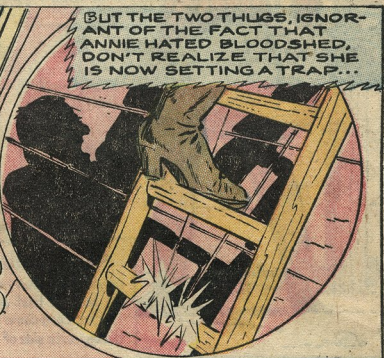


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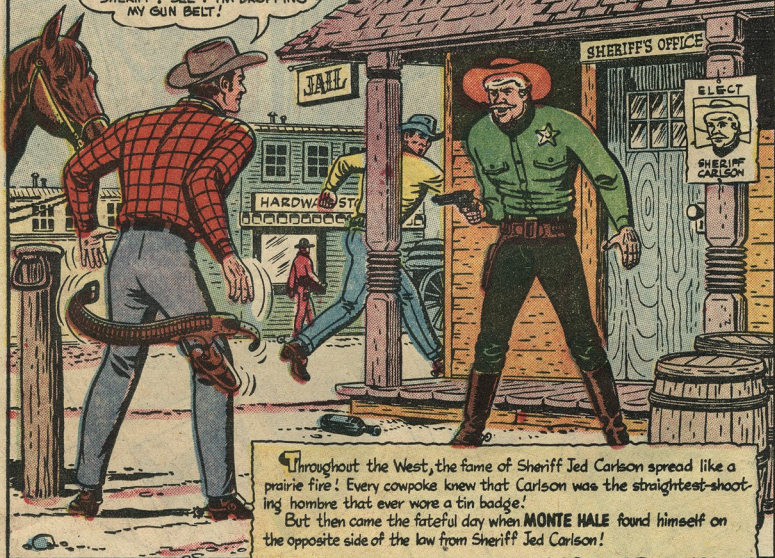




## MONTE HALE

## MEETS THE SHERIFF!

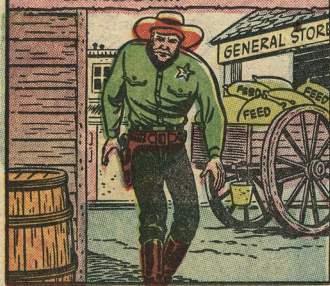
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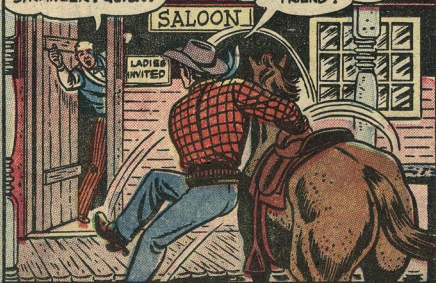
THROUGH THE SILENT STREETS OF A DESERTED COWTOWN THERE MOVES A SINGLE PURPOSEFUL FIGURE. HIS HAND HOVERS CLOSE TO HIS GUN HOLSTER ....



AND WHEN MONTE HALE RIDES INTO TOWN ....

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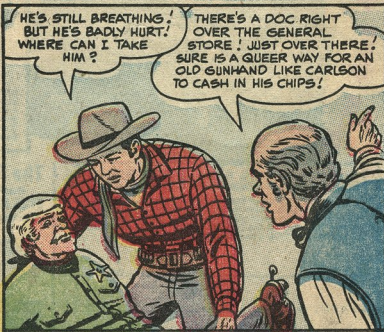
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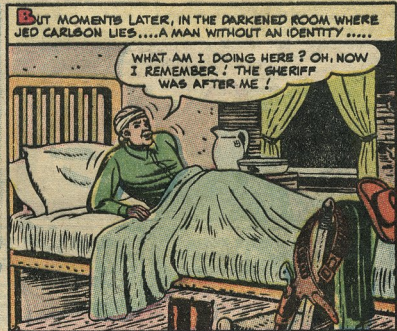
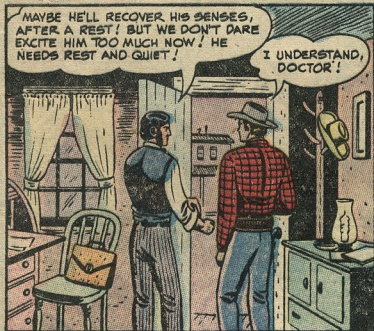


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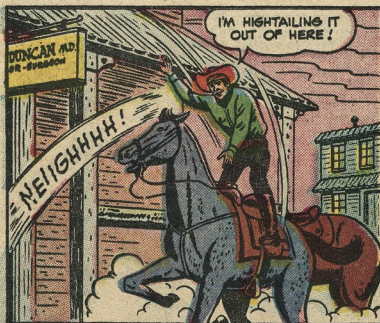


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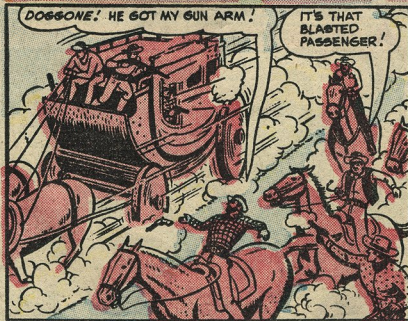
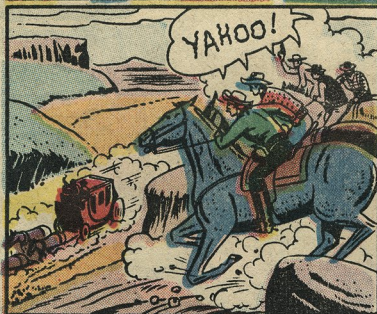


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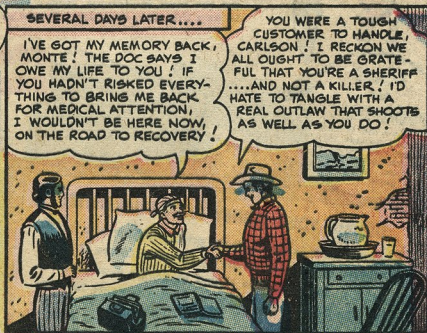
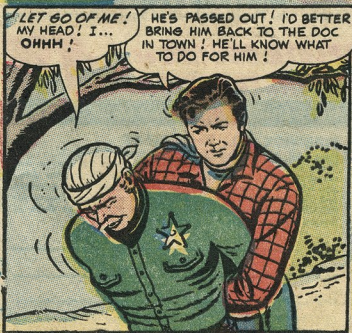


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# RUNAWAY TRAIN

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**R**ED ROAN, mighty king of the wild horses, loved his wandering, free existence!

Over prairieland and mountain slopes, he led his herd of shaggy mares and colts, watching over them with jealous care. No wild stallion was as alert or cautious as the great red bronc, in guarding his charges. And yet it once happened that three of Red Roan's mares were cut off from the herd by a band of cowboys and were roped and captured!

When this happened, the crimson stallion immediately led the rest of his herd up into the hills and left them grazing on a richly foliaged plateau. Whinnying a stern command to stay there, he swerved around and galloped back down to the level plain.

Watching from a safe distance, Red Roan saw the cowboys herding the captured mares to a ranch corral. There they were left for a few hours! Then they were taken out and driven to a nearby railroad junction, almost deserted in the hot afternoon sun. Still hanging back cautiously, Red Roan waited. What would the humans do next with his mares? Where would they take them?

The answer to Red Roan's question came a few moments later when, backing up from a siding where it had been waiting, a freight train made its appearance. Shouting loudly, and beating their battered hats against the horses' sweat-stained rumps, the cowhands drove the mares up a shallow ramp into the last boxcar of the train. The other boxcars were filled with milling cattle.

A whistle came from the front of the train, and steam poured forth into the air.

As Red Roan watched, the freight train slowly began to move forward down the track. And, through the slatted sides of the last car, he could see the three mares of his herd. One of them neighed loudly—a helpless prisoner! When he heard the plaintive cry, Red Roan's sharp ears pricked forward. Moving gracefully, he lunged into an easy lope, following the shining steel ribbons of the railroad track!

Half an hour later, young Jim Sears, brakeman on the train stuck his head into the engine cab.

"Hey, Curly," he shouted, "we've got a horse following us! Loping along right behind the train!"

Ben Newell, the engineer, wiped his bald dome with a grimy hand. "A horse following the train?" He frowned. "Why, I'll bet it's Red Roan!"

"He sure is a roan beauty," young Sears said. said. "But how'd you know?"

"Because of those three wild mares we've got in the rear boxcar!" Ben Newell replied. "Some cowboys picked them up from Red Roan's herd—and they're shipping them East to a rodeo. Reckon Red Roan's still trying to keep an eye on his mares! From all they say about his speed and endurance, he can do it!"

So, as the old freight train rattled and rumbled its way up into the foothills, Red Roan loped along behind it, his eyes always on the last boxcar where his mares were imprisoned.

Finally, as the orange sun hung low against the towering mountains, the train puffed its way up a long, steep curve. Pulling off onto a siding, Ben Newell called back to his brakeman, "Hey, Jim! We've got to wait here till the evening passenger train comes by! C'mon up for a smoke!"

Red Roan watched the slim young brakeman disappear into the cab.

**C**AUTIOUSLY, he approached the rear car.

Inside, he could make out the restlessly moving forms of his mares. Softly he whinnied, and he could hear an answering neigh. Then, all at once, Red Roan became aware that the rear car was moving! The coupling attaching it to the car in front had come loose.

The car was rolling, inch by inch, back down the grade. At first, it was moving very slowly! But it was gathering speed! Soon it would be racing along. And then—

Red Roan did not hesitate. Moving swiftly



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to the side of the rolling car, he nudged with his nose at the long bar that held the slatted door in place. It moved slightly. Again he thrust, tossing his head up! This time the bar came loose, and the wide door swung open. There stood the mares, free to jump to safety. But they were afraid! The fact that the car was rumbling down the grade, beginning to pick up speed, frightened them! They whinnied anxiously, but they did not jump!

Trotting beside the boxcar, Red Roan neighed imperiously!

"Jump!" he commanded. "Jump now!"

IT was this loud neigh that Jim Sears heard, back in the engine cab. Looking out, he grabbed the engineer's arm "Curly!" he cried. "The last boxcar—it's come loose. Coupling must have gone! And those three mares! They're jumping from it! That stallion must have freed them somehow!"

Then his face blanched with sudden fear.

"Th' boxcar! It's rolling onto the main track!" he stammered. "It's going down fast!"

Ben Newell jumped from the cab, the young brakeman right behind him. "You're right!" he exclaimed. "It's on the main track and the passenger train's due to come along any minute!"

"They'll crash!" the man gasped. "I've got to stop it! But how?" Then his eyes narrowed! "If I can run down below—cutting across the curve . . . maybe I can switch the runaway boxcar off, onto another siding . . ."

"You'll never make it," husked the engineer.

But Jim Sears had already leaped away. Sprinting hard, he raced over the rough ground, cutting across the long horseshoe curve, to attempt to intercept the now racing boxcar! As he ran a new sound struck terror to his heart! It was the not-too-distant whistle of the oncoming passenger train! Steaming up the curve, it would not see the boxcar until it was too late!

"Women and children aboard," the brakeman gasped. "Got to make it!"

Vaulting over rocks, legs pounding, his heart beating like a trip hammer, he hurtled desperately over the ground. From the corner of his eye, he saw the boxcar, whipping down the

steep grade. And again he heard the warning whistle of the passenger train! Cutting toward the lower curve of track, he was only twenty yards away from the siding. Then ten! Then five! He felt the boxcar coming closer, closer.

Plunging through the air, Jim Sears grabbed the switch lever, threw it back hard!

Not a second elapsed before the racing boxcar whizzed past him, wheels clacking! Swerving suddenly, it rumbled onto the siding—and along a level stretch of track that slowed it down! Then the young brakeman saw the oncoming passenger train puffing up the slope! It was headed, not for sudden disaster, but for a clear track!

Jim Sears rose on trembling legs and watched the train go by. Passengers at the windows waved at him, and he lifted his hand in reply.

"Folks," he whispered to himself, "you're safe—thanks to that run across the curve . . . and . . ."

Then the memory struck him! The neigh he had heard from Red Roan as he ordered his mares off the boxcar! That was what had warned him! If it hadn't been for that he would have finished a smoke in the engine cab with Curly . . . and the calamity would have struck!

Squinting his eyes, Jim Sears looked down over the mountain slope! At last he saw them—three mares, and, at their head, a long-striding, gallant stallion.

Jim lifted his striped brakeman's cap.

"Mister," he said "all you were out to do was save the lives of your mares . . . but you saved a lot of human lives as well. You've got guts, Red Roan, and I hope you enjoy your freedom!"

AT that distance, Red Roan could not possibly have heard the plain-spoken tribute. But he turned his head once, saw the still figure standing there! He tossed his scarlet head proudly in the air, whinnying shrilly. Then he kept galloping! He was taking his mares back to the herd!

THE END

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# JESSE JAMES

RIDING ONE DAY, FRANK AND JESSE JAMES SUDDENLY SPIED A GIRL VAINLY TRYING TO ESCAPE CAPTURE ...

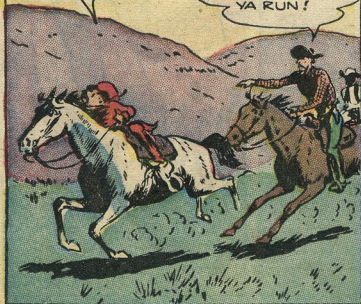
COME ON, FRANK. THAT GIRL NEEDS HELP AGAINST THOSE HOMBRES!

RIGHT WITH YOU, JESSE!



OH, LEAVE ME ALONE... **HELP!**

'YA WON'T GIT AWAY, NO MATTER HOW HARD YA RUN!



SO INTENT WAS THE RIDER IN PURSUIT OF THE GIRL, HE DID NOT NOTICE THE APPROACH OF THE JAMES BOYS...

WHAT TH...

OH, THANK YOU FOR SAVING ME!

CHEESE IT, ROURKE! IT'S JESSE AND FRANK JAMES. THEY'RE TOO FAST WITH THE IRONS!

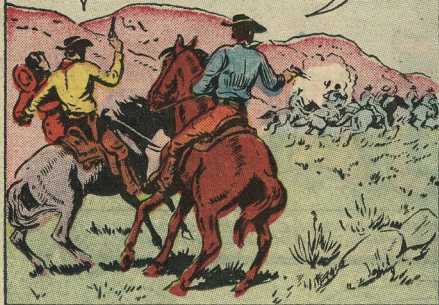




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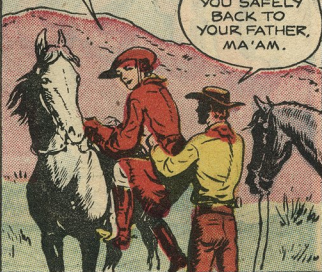
LET'S GIVE 'EM A FEW REMINDERS IT AIN'T HEALTHY TO BOTHER GIRLS HEREABOUTS!

I DON'T THINK THEY'LL FORGET, JESSE.

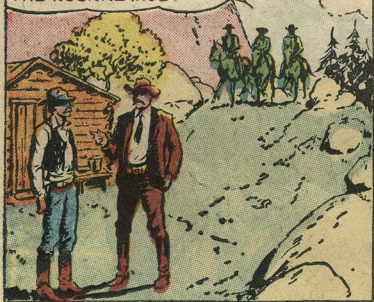


THANK YOU SO MUCH. I'M BETTY WEST. I LIVE WITH MY FATHER AT OUR MINE IN THE HILLS. SOMEONE'S TRYING TO SCARE US AWAY FROM IT.

WE'LL SEE YOU SAFELY BACK TO YOUR FATHER, MA'AM.

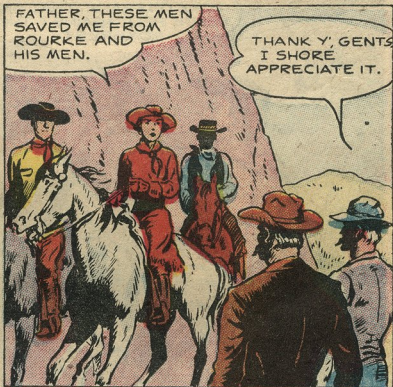


THERE...THERE'S NATE SMITH! HE'S TRIED TO BUY THE MINE FROM DAD. SINCE DAD REFUSED WE'VE BEEN THREATENED AND ANNOYED BY THE ROURKE MOB.



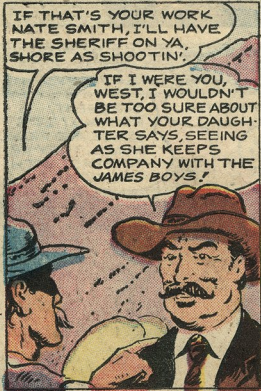
FATHER, THESE MEN SAVED ME FROM ROURKE AND HIS MEN.

THANK Y, GENTS I SHORE APPRECIATE IT.



IF THAT'S YOUR WORK NATE SMITH, I'LL HAVE THE SHERIFF ON YA SHORE AS SHOOTIN'!

IF I WERE YOU, WEST, I WOULDN'T BE TOO SURE ABOUT WHAT YOUR DAUGHTER SAYS, SEEING AS SHE KEEPS COMPANY WITH THE JAMES BOYS!



I DON'T MIND YOU TALKIN' BOUT US BUT YOU'RE DOUBTIN' MISS BETTY'S WORD!



NOW GIT! AND DON'T HURRY BACK THIS WAY!

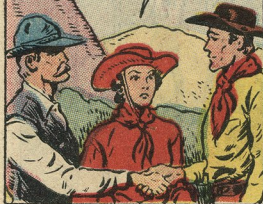




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I AIN'T ONE TO QUESTION A PERSON'S DONE ME A FAVOR. YA SEE, WE AIN'T DARED LEAVE THIS PLACE TO STAKE OUR CLAIM, YET.

WE'RE AFRAID THEY'LL FIGHT US OFF IF WE BOTH LEAVE.

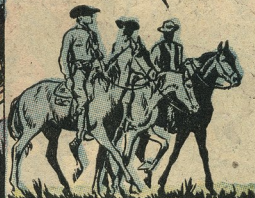


COME INTO TOWN WITH ME. FRANK'LL GUARD THE PLACE WHILE WE'RE GONE.



ONCE YOUR CLAIM IS FILED YOU HAVE THE SHERIFF'S PROTECTION. UNTIL THEN HE CAN'T HELP YOU.

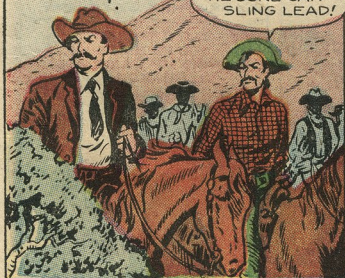
I KNOW THERE'S A GOLD VEIN WORTH A FORTUNE THERE. SMITH ASSAYED THE ORE. THAT'S WHY HE WANTS THE MINE.



AND HIDDEN IN THE HILLS ALONG THE ROCKY TRAIL...

THEY'RE COMIN' THIS WAY NOW! JESSE JAMES, JOE WEST AN' THE GAL.

WATCH THAT JAMES HOMBRE. HE SURE CAN SLING LEAD!



SUDDENLY...



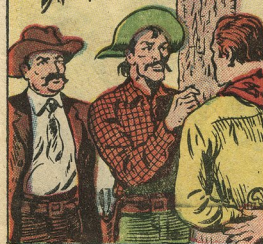
WE GOT YA THIS TIME!

IT'S ROURKE AGAIN!

EKKK!

RECKON JESSE JAMES AIN'T GONNA BE MUCH HELP FROM HERE ON, ROURKE?

NOT UNLESS HIS GHOST'S GONNA WALK, NATE.



WAS ALWAYS PRETTY GOOD WITH MY FOOTWORK, ROURKE!



GET ON YOUR HORSES AN' RIDE FOR ALL YOU'RE WORTH!

BUT...WHAT ABOUT YOU?





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GIT AFTER 'EM, ROURKE, DON'T LET 'EM GIT AWAY!

MAKE TRACKS! TAKE THE STEEP TRAIL STRAIGHT UP! I'VE GOT A SCHEME!



THEY'RE COMIN' AN' THEY TOOK OUR GUNS, WE CAN'T ESCAPE, ACCOUNT THEY'LL SREAD OUT SO WE CAN'T GIT DOWN.

HELP ME GRAB THIS SAPLING... WE'LL GIVE 'EM A SURPRISE!

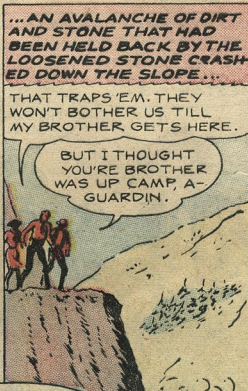


SHE'S FREE!

DUNNO WHY, BUT I RECKON YA KNOW YOUR PLAN, SON.



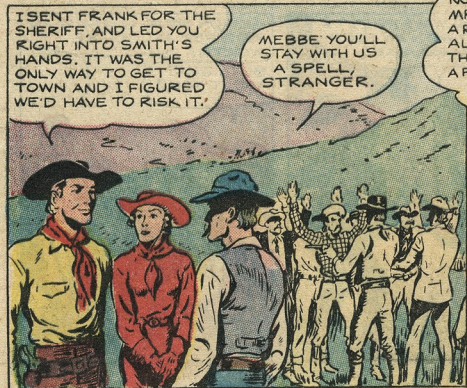
SHE'S GIVING, MR. WEST! ONE MORE, NOW AND THEN STAND BACK QUICK.



...AN AVALANCHE OF DIRT AND STONE THAT HAD BEEN HELD BACK BY THE LOOSEENED STONE CRASHED DOWN THE SLOPE...

THAT TRAPS 'EM. THEY WON'T BOTHER US TILL MY BROTHER GETS HERE.

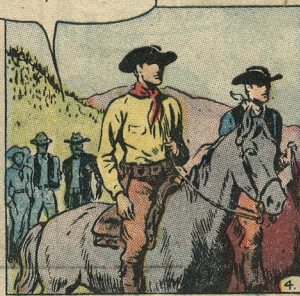
BUT I THOUGHT YOU'RE BROTHER WAS UP CAMP, A-GUARDIN.



I SENT FRANK FOR THE SHERIFF, AND LED YOU RIGHT INTO SMITH'S HANDS. IT WAS THE ONLY WAY TO GET TO TOWN AND I FIGURED WE'D HAVE TO RISK IT!

MEBBE YOU'LL STAY WITH US A SPELL, STRANGER.

NO USE ASKIN' 'EM, MR. WEST. THEY'RE A RESTLESS PAIR, ALWAYS ON THE MOVE... THEY SURE HELPED TRAP A PACK OF RATS ON THIS STOP, THOUGH!





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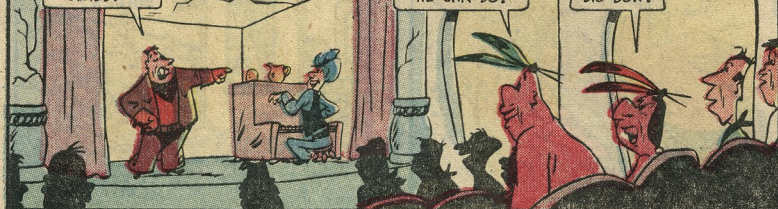
## BIG BOW AND LITTLE ARROW IN

### "THE ESCAPE"

AND NOW TUH SHOW ALL YUH FOLKS HOW GOOD MUH VOICE IS, I'M GOING TUH SING A NOTE SO HIGH IT'LL CRACK THAT THAR WATER GLASS!

THAT MIGHTY GOOD TRICK IF HE CAN DO!

QUIET BIG BOW!



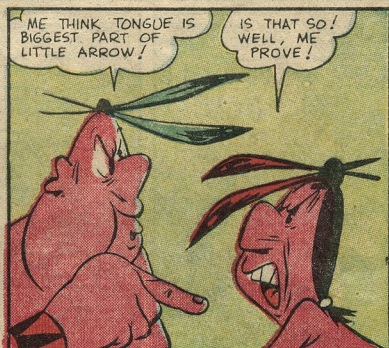
LOOK, LITTLE ARROW! HE DO LIKE SAY! HE SING NOTE SO HIGH IT CRACK GLASS!

SO WHAT! ME CAN SING NOTE SO HIGH, IT CRACK WATER PITCHER!



ME THINK TONGUE IS BIGGEST PART OF LITTLE ARROW!

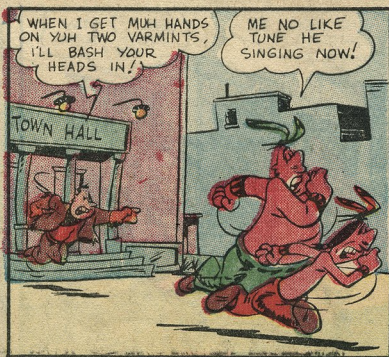
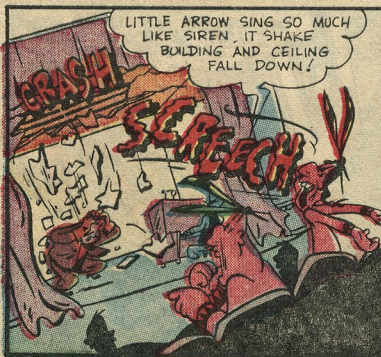
IS THAT SO! WELL, ME PROVE!



LITTLE ARROW SING SO MUCH LIKE SIREN, IT SHAKE BUILDING AND CEILING FALL DOWN!

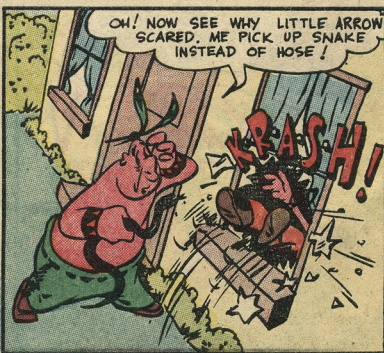
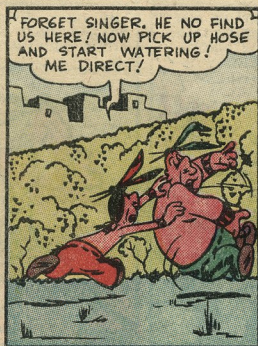
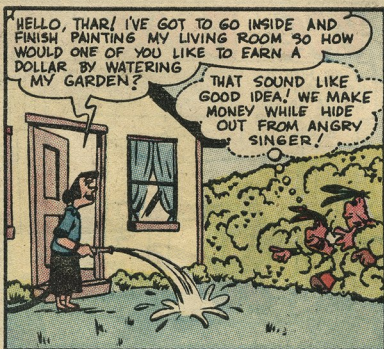
WHEN I GET MUH HANDS ON YUH TWO VARMINTS, I'LL BASH YOUR HEADS IN!

ME NO LIKE TUNE HE SINGING NOW!





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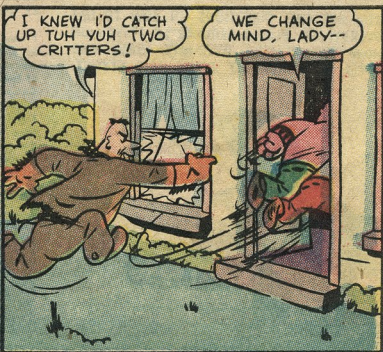
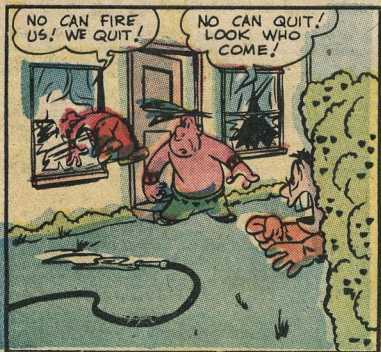
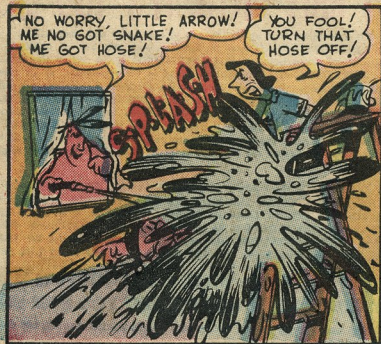
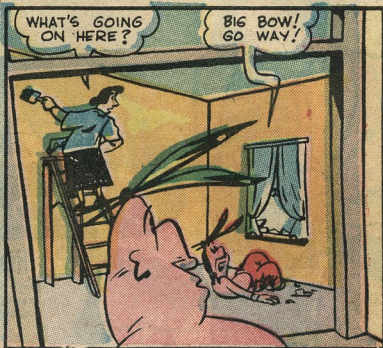
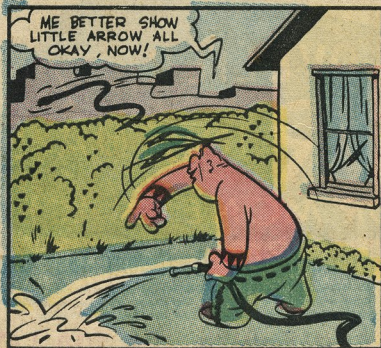
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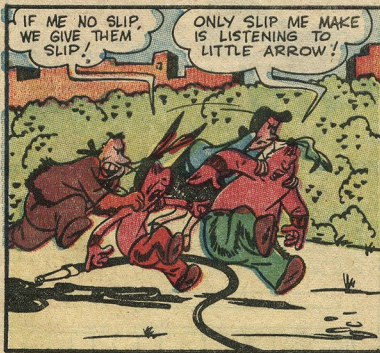
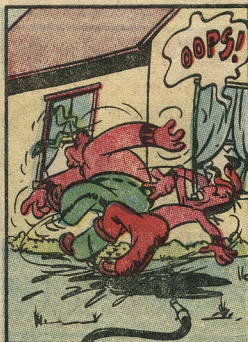
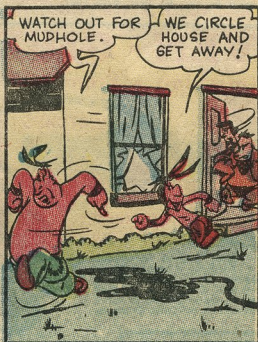
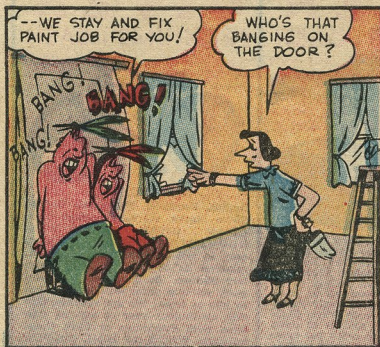


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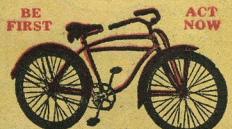
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